

Present: Commissioners Peter Bunder, Diane Damico, Gene Hanus, Allen Jacobsen, Aparna Puri (not a quorum.) Also Dave Downey, Parr Durr, Dave Henderson

- There are still vacancies on the voting board. Parr Durr is willing to serve as a council appointee. His bio will be forwarded name to the City Council for consideration. There are still other open seats.
- Sustainability Status:

Allen Jacobsen read the section of the GG bylaws that pertain to the sustainability indicators (found under Article V Powers and Duties)

To determine, in cooperation with other city boards and commissions, West Lafayette's current and future sustainability status by developing and monitoring a set of sustainability indicators.

Discussion to develop a set of indicators: Which measurable, meaningful and easily accessible information should be included in the set? Who/where can the information be found already? What range (geographical) should be included?

The group recommends:

- That whenever possible measurements be considered from within West Lafayette only and not include Purdue.
- That a collection of information should begin and have 2011 as a 'baseline score'
- That the following measurements be considered for the set of indicators. See attached list.

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List of Indicators to monitor---Draft

1. # of bird species, bird count (Barney Dunning, Purdue?)
2. Toxic Pesticides, chemical use of city departments (ind dept)
3. Wet land, prairie restoration (Dave Buck)
4. # of city trees (Bev Shaw and Parks dept City)

Water and river quality

5. # of CSOs (utility dir)
6. Unwanted medicine drop offs in pounds (police dept)
7. Water consumption per household (water company)
8. Rain garden use (Urban share grant, WREC)
9. Other statistics re health of the river (WREC)
10. Nontraditional water retention planning -construction sites (Dave Buck)

Air quality

11. EPA air quality index (Earth and Atmospheric Science dept, Purdue)
12. Asthma and allergy rates (Tipp County health Dept?)
13. Clean fleet rates- WL- owned vehicles, (Clerk's office?) and City Bus

Waste

14. Recycling rates- WL residential (Streets/ sanitation)
15. Recycling amounts from drop off site – oil, glass, etc (Streets/ Sanitation)
16. Yard waste pickup rates (Streets/ Sani)
17. Short term events held within the city (e-waste, goodwill, metal pickups, shredding, compost programs, school lunch program)
18. Other nonfood diversion (?)

Transit

19. Ridership #s (City Bus, city routes)
20. Miles of trails (Parks and Rec)
- 21 Miles of bike lanes (John Thomas- what metrics will the APC use?)
22. # of bike racks (Development Dept)
23. Walk score – ratio of total sidewalks to roads? (Safe routes to school master plan? Dave Buck)

Smart Development

24. Population Density (APC)
25. % of parks, athletic fields, open space, recreational facilities

Food and Agriculture

25. \$ sales at Farmers' market or number of bags
26. # of, area covered by community gardens
27. U-picks
28. Amount of agricultural lands (or distance to?)

Public and Staff education

29. How does the public/ staff get information?

City Policies and Planning

30. Long term planning (storm water and trash plan)
31. Clear-Blue-Green certified?
32. Purchasing policies